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APPENDIX I

FORMAT FOR A
LOGISTICAL ESTIMATE

1. Mission: A brief statement of the mission of the operation to be supported.

2. The Situation and Other Considerations:

a. Operating Conditions:

(1) Characteristics of area(s) of operation:

Define the limits of the operational area and describe climatic, topographical and geographical factors which influence logistics operations.

(2) Characteristics of target area:

Define the target of operations relative to strengths, weaknesses and locations.

(3) Opposition capabilities:

Describe possible courses of opposition action which may affect our operations.

b. Our Operations:

(1) Present operational element disposition:

Define geographically the location of elements to be supported.

(2) Operational element strength.

(3) Courses of operational action which may be adopted.

c. Logistical Situation:

Present status of logistics elements and installations to

include strengths, locations, and present mission. Include

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present status of major items of equipment and supplies (i.e., capabilities).

d. Special Factors:

Items not covered above which require special treatment in the logistical estimate. Security conditions are an example.

3. Analysis: Under each subheading, and for each proposed course of operational action, determine the requirements, availabilities or capabilities and indicate any limiting features.

- a. Procurement
- b. Supply
- c. Transportation
- d. Real Estate and Construction
- e. Printing
- f. Support Services
- g. Miscellaneous

4. Comparison:

a. Evaluate the outstanding logistical elements and controlling limiting factors with respect to the accomplishment of the basic mission.

b. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of each proposed course of action from the logistical viewpoint. Include methods of overcoming limiting features or modifications recommended in operational courses of action.

5. Conclusions:

a. Indicate whether the mission can be logistically supported.

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b. Indicate which operational course of action best can be supported logistically.

c. List the major logistical features, if any, which must be brought to the attention of the operational planner. Include specific recommended actions on these major logistical features.

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